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This paper is filed in response to the office action mailed September 14, 2005, in the above-captioned case. A complete listing of currently pending claims, including claim amendments, begins on page 2. Specification amendments appear on page 5. A discussion of claim amendments appears on page 6, and a discussion of specification amendments appears on page 7. Remarks begin on page 8 and a conclusion appears on page 18.